

City of Tacoma

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COPY:	City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT:	Request for resolution authorizing the execution of an 8 Year MFPTE with
	Napoleon Group, LLC – December 1, 2015
DATE:	November 5, 2015

SUMMARY:

Authorizing the appropriate City officials to execute an 8 Year Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Napoleon Group, LLC for the development of 135 multifamily market-rate rental units at 1515 Tacoma Avenue South in the Downtown Mixed Use Center.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

This project will foster neighborhood, community, and economic development vitality and sustainability by providing 135 market rate housing units within a designated mixed use center.

BACKGROUND:

Napoleon Group, LLC is proposing to develop 135 new market rate rental units in the Downtown mixed use Center as described in Exhibit "A" to the Resolution. The Community and Economic Development Department has determined that the proposed project qualifies for the 8 year multi-family housing property tax exemption. Napoleon Group, LLC will enter into an agreement prepared by the City to develop the site as described in the plans on file with the City.

ISSUE:

This action would approve the tax exemption through the attached proposed agreement.

ALTERNATIVES:

If the resolution is not adopted, the tax exemption will not be granted and the developer has stated that the exemption is necessary to make the project feasible.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff has reviewed the application and has determined that the proposed project qualifies for the 8 Year Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption. Staff recommends the Council approve the resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The value of the land would continue to be taxed. The City's portion of the current tax for land is approximately \$1600.00 annually. The City's portion of the tax to be exempted for the proposed structure is estimated at \$109,000 annually. The project will generate higher revenues for the City at the end of the eight year agreement.